



Dual Single-Supply Audio Operational Amplifier

SSM2135

FEATURES

Excellent Sonic Characteristics
High Output Drive Capability
5.2 nV/ $\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ Equivalent Input Noise @ 1 kHz
0.001% THD+N ($V_O = 2.5$ V p-p @ 1 kHz)
3.5 MHz Gain Bandwidth
Unity-Gain Stable
Low Cost

APPLICATIONS

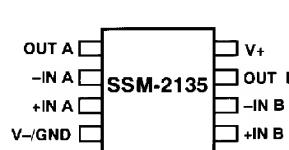
Multimedia Audio Systems
Microphone Preamplifier
Headphone Driver
Differential Line Receiver
Balanced Line Driver
Audio ADC Input Buffer
Audio DAC I-V Converter and Filter
Pseudo-Ground Generator

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

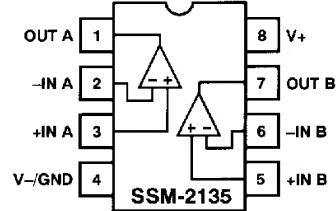
The SSM-2135 Dual Audio Operational Amplifier permits excellent performance in portable or low power audio systems, with an operating supply range of +4 V to +36 V or ± 2 V to ± 18 V. The unity gain stable device has very low voltage noise of $4.7 \text{ nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$, and total harmonic distortion plus noise below 0.01% over normal signal levels and loads. Such characteristics are enhanced by wide output swing and load drive capability. A unique output stage* permits output swing approaching the rail

PIN CONNECTIONS

8-Lead Narrow-Body SOIC (S Suffix)



8-Lead Epoxy DIP (P Suffix)



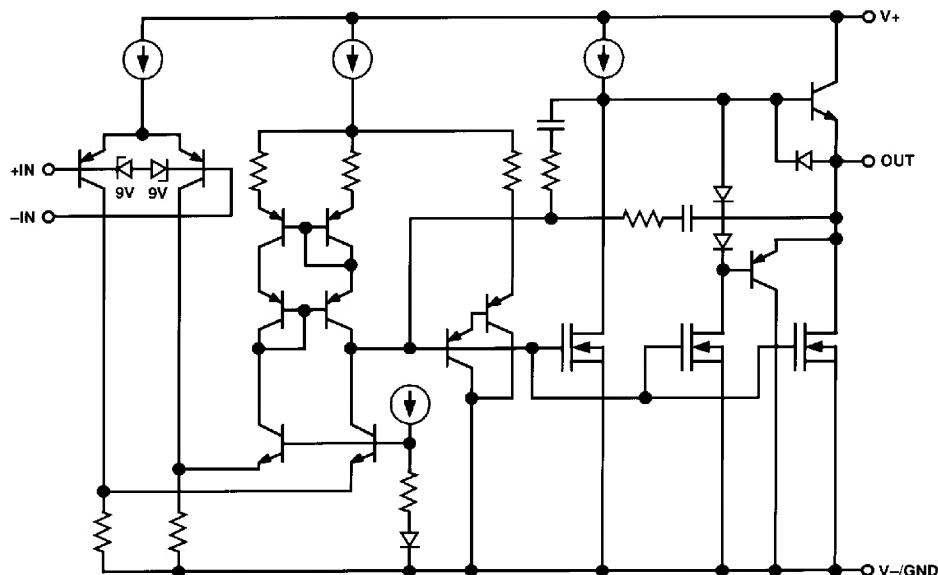
under moderate load conditions. Under severe loading, the SSM-2135 still maintains a wide output swing with ultralow distortion.

Particularly well suited for computer audio systems and portable digital audio units, the SSM-2135 can perform preamplification, headphone and speaker driving, and balanced line driving and receiving. Additionally, the device is ideal for input signal conditioning in single-supply sigma-delta analog-to-digital converter subsystems such as the AD1878/AD1879.

The SSM-2135 is available in 8-pin plastic DIP and SOIC packages, and is guaranteed for operation over the extended industrial temperature range of -40°C to $+85^{\circ}\text{C}$.

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SSM2135—SPECIFICATIONS (V_S = +5 V, -40°C < T_A < +85°C unless otherwise noted.)

Electrical Characteristics

Parameter	Symbol	Conditions	Min	Typ	Max	Units
AUDIO PERFORMANCE						
Voltage Noise Density	e _n	f = 1 kHz	5.2			nV/√Hz
Current Noise Density	i _n	f = 1 kHz	0.5			pA/√Hz
Signal-To-Noise Ratio	SNR	20 Hz to 20 kHz, 0 dBu = 0.775 V rms	121			dBu
Headroom	HR	Clip Point = 1% THD+N, f = 1 kHz, R _L = 10 kΩ	5.3			dBu
Total Harmonic Distortion	THD+N	A _V = +1, V _O = 1 V p-p, f = 1 kHz, 80 kHz LPF R _L = 10 kΩ R _L = 32 Ω	0.003		0.005	%
DYNAMIC PERFORMANCE						
Slew Rate	SR	R _L = 2 kΩ, T _A = +25°C	0.6	0.9		V/μs
Gain Bandwidth Product	GBW			3.5		MHz
Settling Time	t _S	to 0.1%, 2 V Step		5.8		μs
INPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Input Voltage Range	V _{CM}		0		+4.0	V
Input Offset Voltage	V _{OS}	V _{OUT} = 2 V	0.2	2.0		mV
Input Bias Current	I _B	V _{CM} = 0 V, V _{OUT} = 2 V	300	750		nA
Input Offset Current	I _{OS}	V _{CM} = 0 V, V _{OUT} = 2 V		50		nA
Differential Input Impedance	Z _{IN}			4		MΩ
Common-Mode Rejection	CMR	0 V ≤ V _{CM} ≤ 4 V, f = dc	87	112		dB
Large Signal Voltage Gain	A _{VO}	0.01 V ≤ V _{OUT} ≤ 3.9 V, R _L = 600 Ω	2			V/μV
OUTPUT CHARACTERISTICS						
Output Voltage Swing High	V _{OH}	R _L = 100 kΩ	4.1			V
		R _L = 600 Ω	3.9			V
Output Voltage Swing Low	V _{OL}	R _L = 100 kΩ		3.5		mV
		R _L = 600 Ω		3.0		mV
Short Circuit Current Limit	I _{SC}			±30		mA
POWER SUPPLY						
Supply Voltage Range	V _S	Single Supply	+4		+36	V
		Dual Supply	±2		±18	V
Power Supply Rejection Ratio	PSRR	V _S = +4 V to +6 V, f = dc	90	120		dB
Supply Current	I _{SY}	V _{OUT} = 2.0 V, No Load		2.8	4.0	mA
		V _S = +5 V		3.7	5.0	mA
		V _S = ±18 V				

ABSOLUTE MAXIMUM RATINGS

Supply Voltage	
Single Supply	..... +36 V
Dual Supply	..... ±18 V
Input Voltage	..... ±V _S
Differential Input Voltage	..... 10 V
Output Short Circuit Duration	..... Indefinite
Storage Temperature Range	..... -65°C to +150°C
Operating Temperature Range	..... -40°C to +85°C
Junction Temperature Range (T _J)	..... -65°C to +150°C
Lead Temperature (Soldering, 60 sec)	..... +300°C

ESD RATINGS

883 (Human Body) Model	..... 1 kV
EIAJ Model	..... 175 V

THERMAL CHARACTERISTICS

Thermal Resistance ¹		
8-Pin Plastic DIP	θ _{JA}	103°C/W
	θ _{JC}	43°C/W
8-Pin SOIC	θ _{JA}	158°C/W
	θ _{JC}	43°C/W

¹θ_{JA} is specified for worst case conditions, i.e., θ_{JA} is specified for device in socket for P-DIP and device soldered in circuit board for SOIC package.

ORDERING GUIDE

Model	Temperature Range	Package
SSM2135P	-40°C to +85°C	8-Pin Plastic DIP
SSM2135S	-40°C to +85°C	8-Pin SOIC

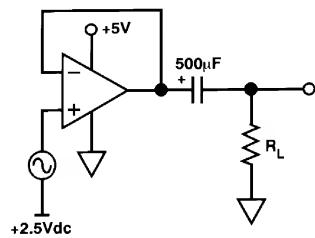


Figure 1. Test Circuit for Figures 2-4

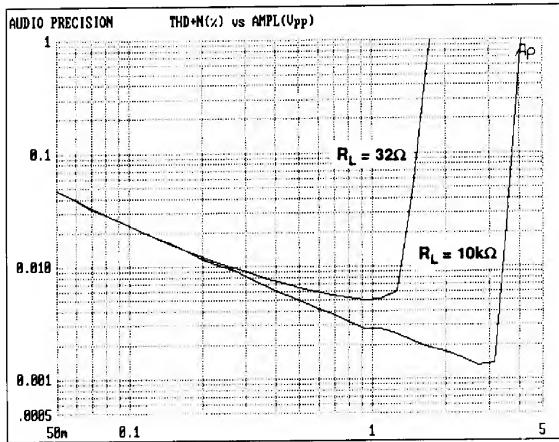


Figure 2. THD+N vs. Amplitude (See Test Circuit; $A_V = +1$, $V_S = +5$ V, $f = 1$ kHz, with 80 kHz Low-Pass Filter)

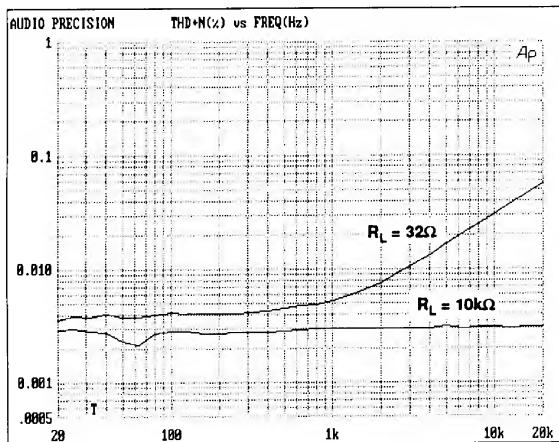


Figure 3. THD+N vs. Frequency (See Test Circuit; $A_V = +1$, $V_{IN} = 1$ V p-p, with 80 kHz Low-Pass Filter)

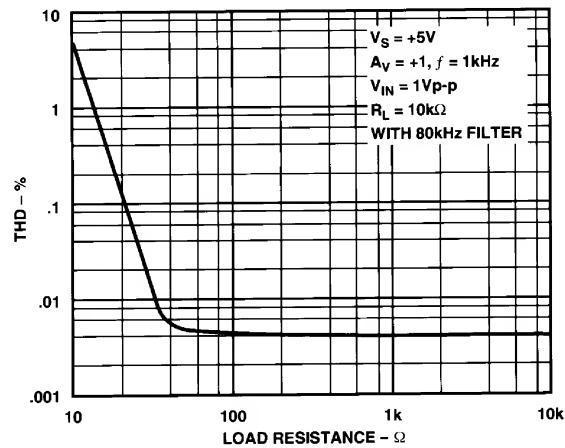


Figure 4. THD+N vs. Load (See Test Circuit)

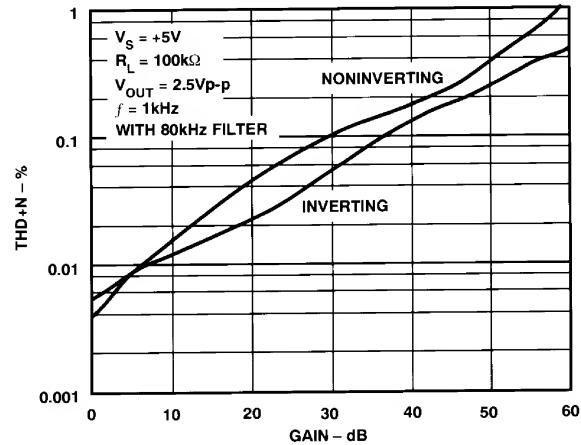


Figure 5. THD+N vs. Gain

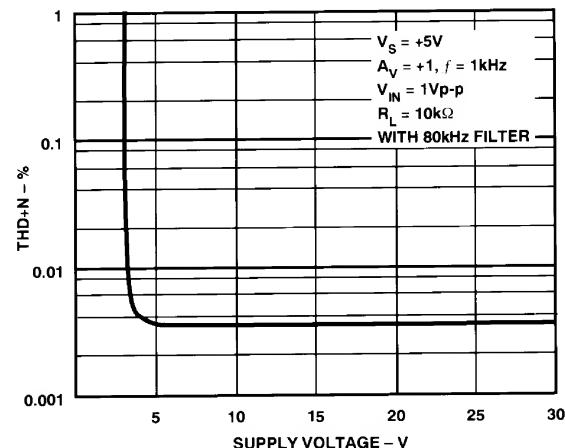


Figure 6. THD+N vs. Supply Voltage

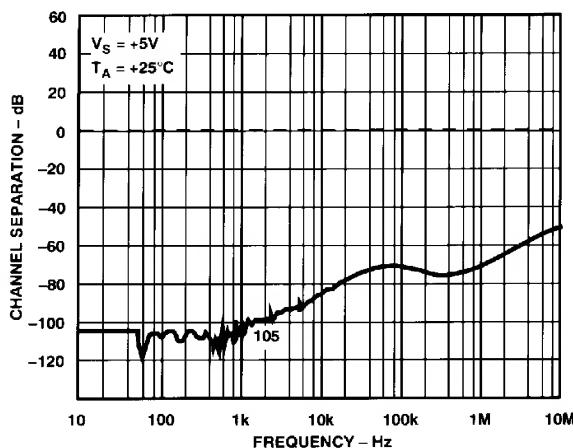
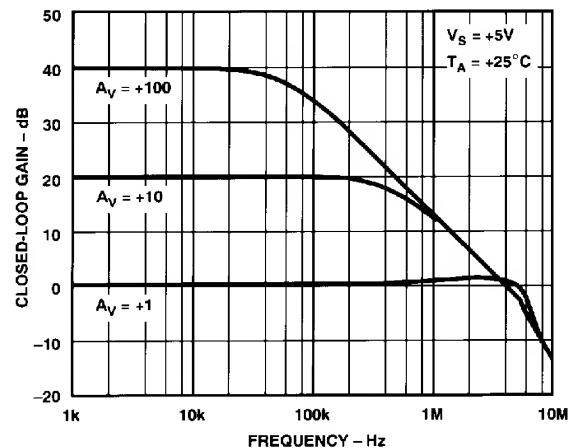
Figure 13. Crosstalk vs. Frequency ($R_L = 10 \text{ k}\Omega$)

Figure 16. Closed-Loop Gain vs. Frequency

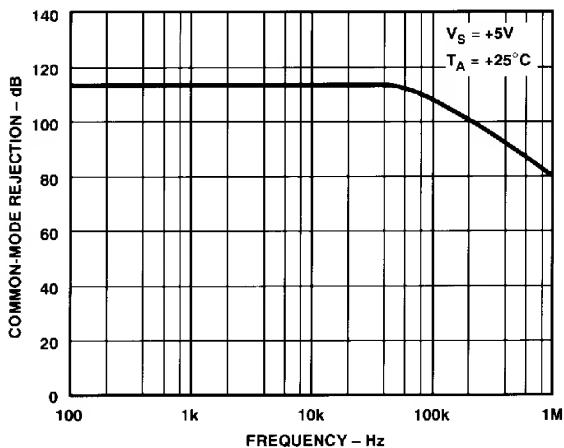


Figure 14. Common-Mode Rejection vs. Frequency

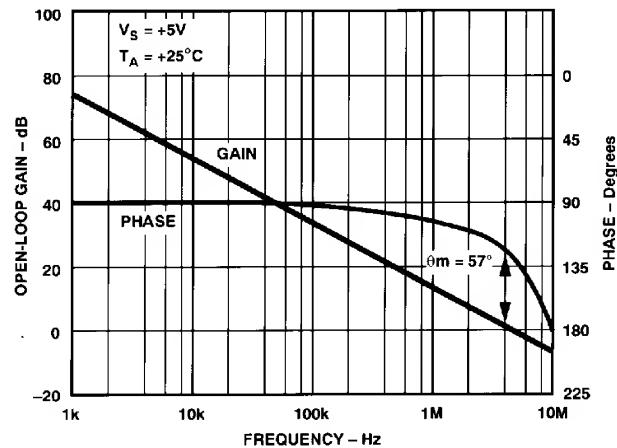


Figure 17. Open-Loop Gain and Phase vs. Frequency

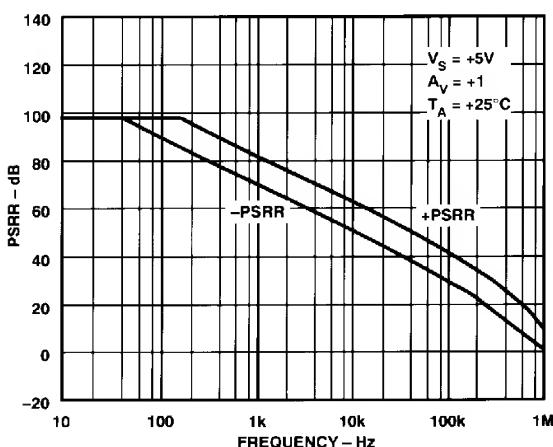


Figure 15. Power Supply Rejection vs. Frequency

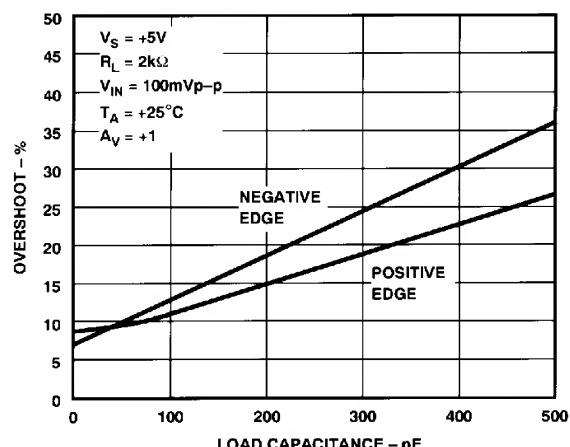


Figure 18. Small Signal Overshoot vs. Load Capacitance

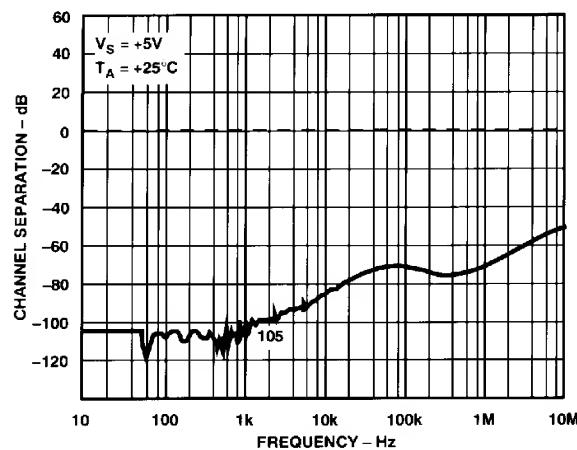
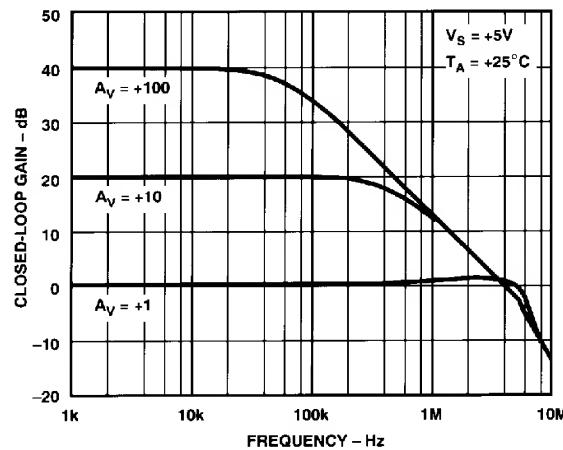
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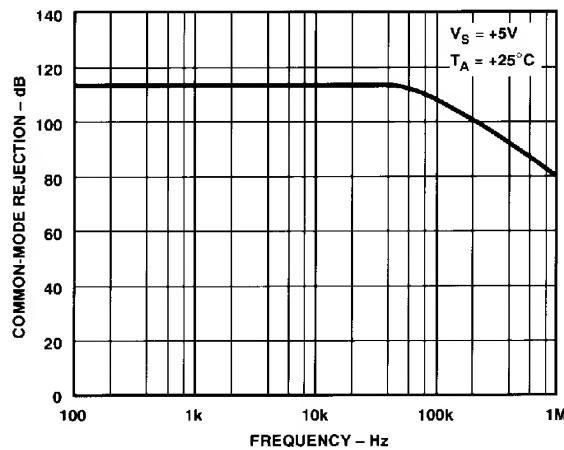


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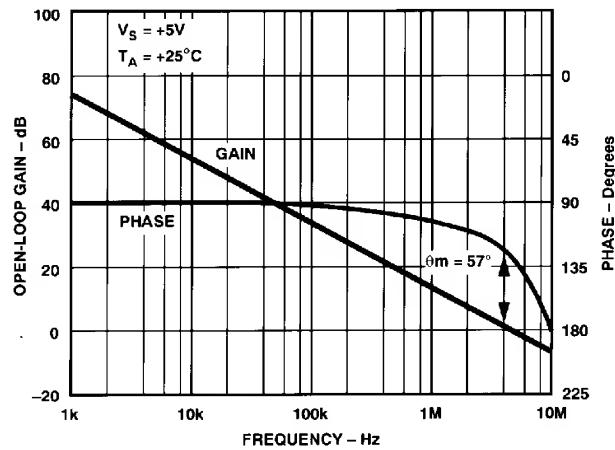


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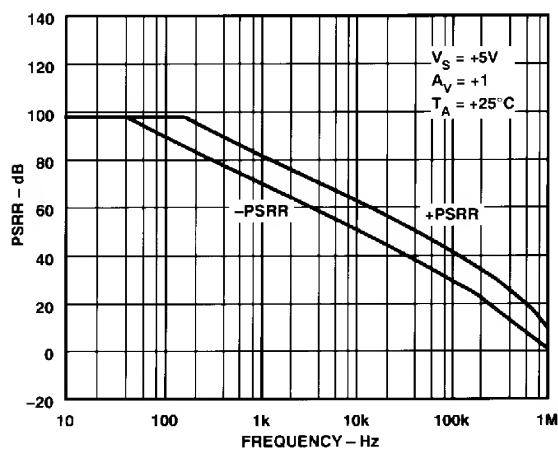


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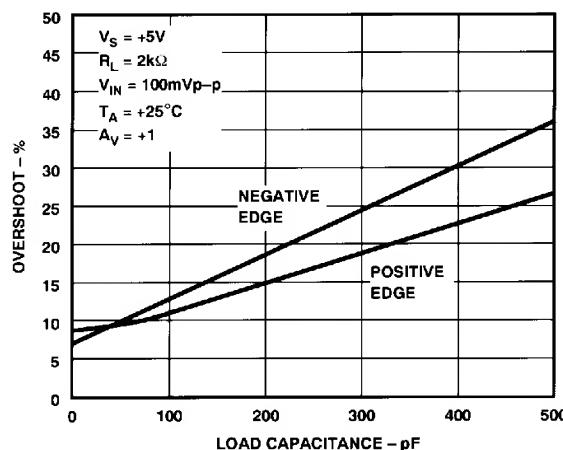


Figure 18. Small Signal Overshoot vs. Load Capacitance

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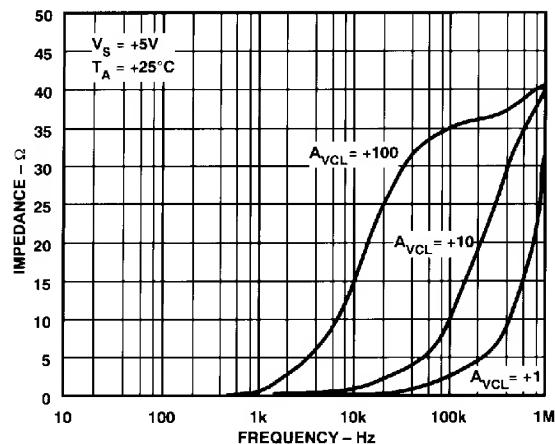


Figure 19. Output Impedance vs. Frequency

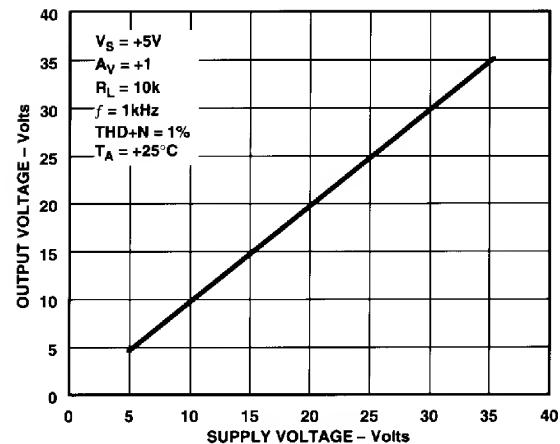


Figure 22. Output Swing vs. Supply Voltage

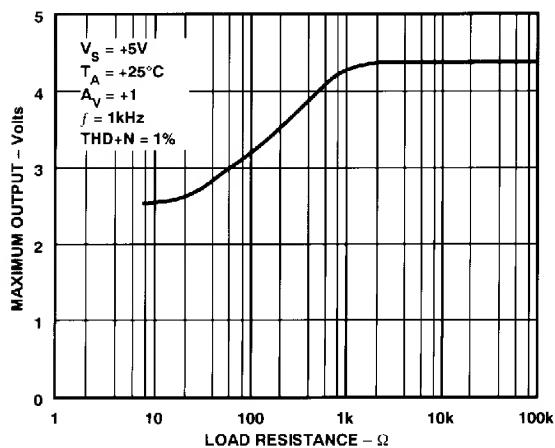


Figure 20. Maximum Output Voltage vs. Load Resistance

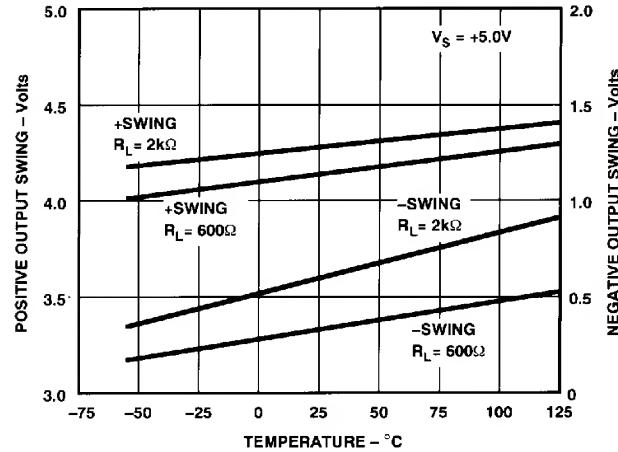


Figure 23. Output Swing vs. Temperature and Load

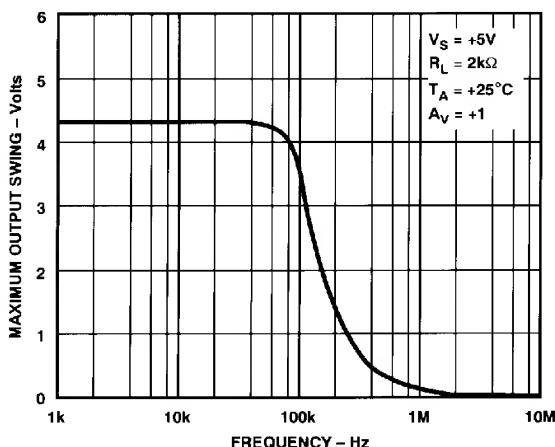


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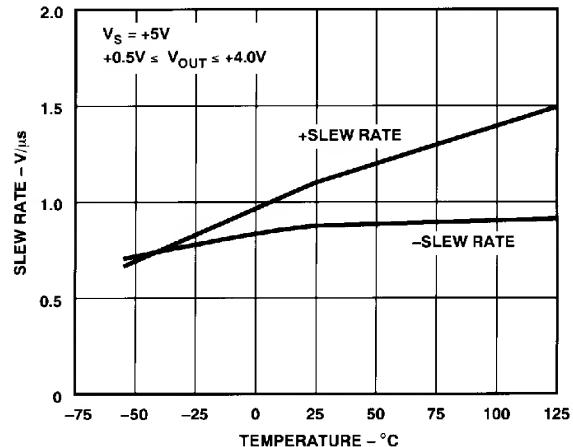


Figure 24. Slew Rate vs. Temperature

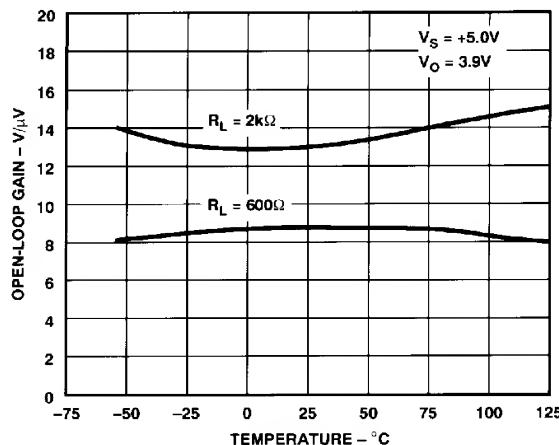


Figure 25. Open-Loop Gain vs. Temperature

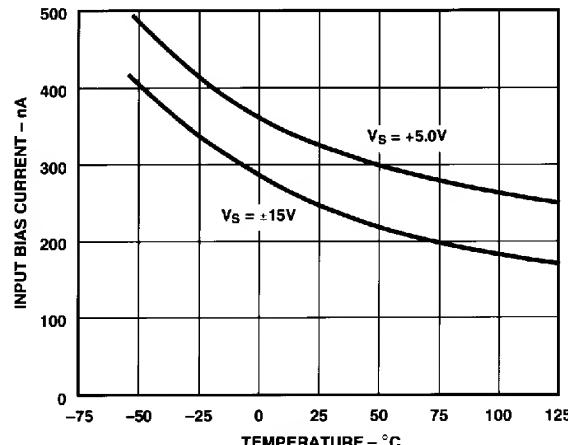


Figure 28. Input Bias Current vs. Temperature

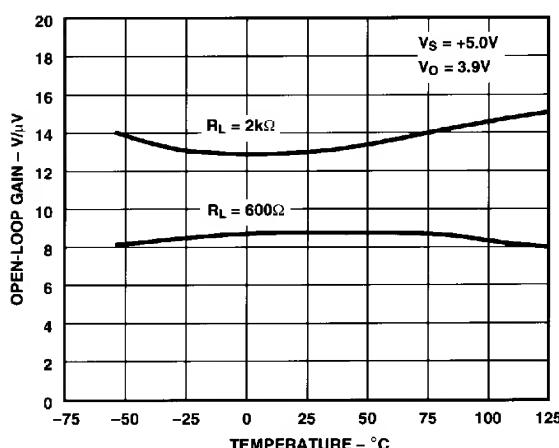


Figure 26. Gain Bandwidth Product and Phase Margin vs. Temperature

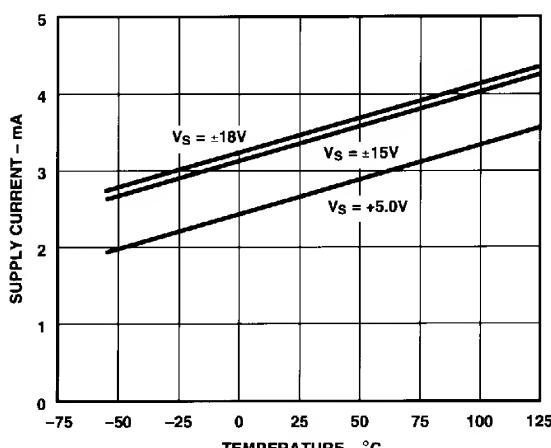


Figure 27. Supply Current vs. Temperature

APPLICATION INFORMATION

The SSM-2135 is a low voltage audio amplifier that has exceptionally low noise and excellent sonic quality even when driving loads as small as $25\ \Omega$. Designed for single supply use, the SSM-2135's inputs common-mode and output swing to zero volts. Thus with a supply voltage at +5 V, both the input and output will swing from 0 V to +4 V. Because of this, signal dynamic range can be optimized if the amplifier is biased to a +2 V reference rather than at half the supply voltage.

The SSM-2135 is unity-gain stable, even when driving into a fair amount of capacitive load. Driving up to 500 pF does not cause any instability in the amplifier. However, overshoot in the frequency response increases slightly.

The SSM-2135 makes an excellent output amplifier for +5 V only audio systems such as a multimedia workstation, a CD output amplifier, or an audio mixing system. The amplifier has large output swing even at this supply voltage because it is designed to swing to the negative rail. In addition, it easily drives load impedances as low as $25\ \Omega$ with low distortion.

The SSM-2135 is fully protected from phase reversal for inputs going to the negative supply rail. However, an internal ESD protection diodes will turn "on" when either input is forced more than 0.5 V below the negative rail. Under this condition, input current in excess of 2 mA may cause erratic output behavior, in which case a current limiting resistor should be included in the offending input if phase integrity is required with excessive input voltages. A 500 Ω or higher series input resistor will prevent phase inversion even with the input pulled 1 volt below the negative supply.

"Hot" plugging the input to a signal generally does not present a problem for the SSM-2135, assuming the signal does not have any voltage exceeding the device's supply voltage. If so, it is advisable to add a series input resistor to limit the current, as well as a Zener diode to clamp the input to a voltage no higher than the supply.

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APPLICATION CIRCUITS

A Low Noise Stereo Headphone Driver Amplifier

Figure 29 shows the SSM-2135 used in a stereo headphone driver for multimedia applications with the AD1848, a 16-bit stereo codec. The SSM-2135 is equally well suited for the serial-bused AD1849 stereo codec. The headphone's impedance can be as low as $25\ \Omega$, which covers most commercially available high fidelity headphones. Although the amplifier can operate at up to $\pm 18\text{ V}$ supply, it is just as efficient powered by a single $+5\text{ V}$. At this voltage, the amplifier has sufficient output drive to deliver distortion-free sound to a low impedance headphone.

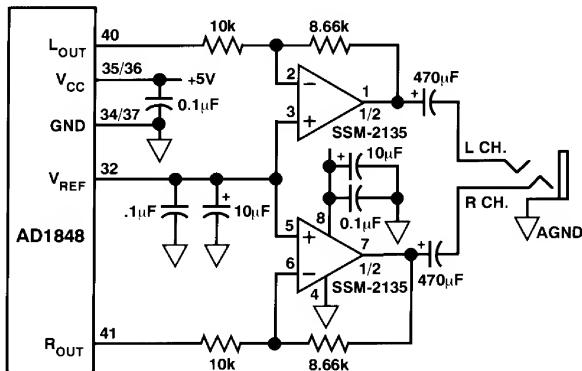


Figure 29. A Stereo Headphone Driver for Multimedia Sound Codec

Figure 30 shows the total harmonic distortion characteristics versus frequency driving into a $32\ \Omega$ load, which is a very typical impedance for a high quality stereo headphone. The SSM-2135 has excellent power supply rejection, and as a result, is tolerant of poorly regulated supplies. However, for best sonic quality, the power supply should be well regulated and heavily bypassed to minimize supply modulation under heavy loads. A minimum of $10\ \mu\text{F}$ bypass is recommended.

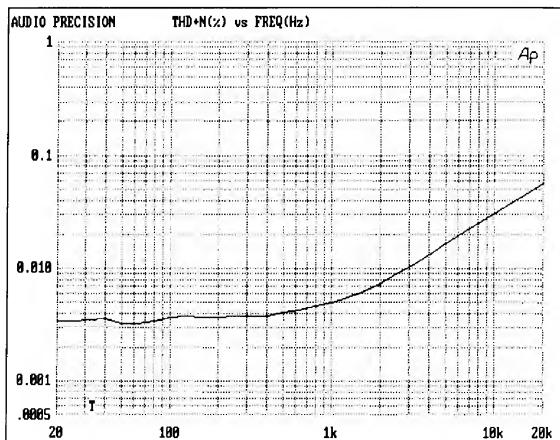


Figure 30. Headphone Driver THD+N vs. Frequency into a $32\ \Omega$ Load ($V_S = +5\text{ V}$, with 80 kHz Low-Pass Filter)

A Low Noise Microphone Preamplifier

The SSM-2135's $4.7\text{ nV}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ input noise in conjunction with low distortion makes it an ideal device for amplifying low level signals such as those produced by microphones. Figure 31 illustrates a stereo microphone input circuit feeding a multimedia sound codec. As shown, the gain is set at 100 (40 dB), although it can be set to other gains depending on the microphone output levels. Figure 32 shows the preamplifier's harmonic distortion performance with 1 V rms output while operating from a single $+5\text{ V}$ supply.

The SSM-2135 is biased to 2.25 V by the V_{REF} pin of the AD1848 codec. The same voltage is buffered by the 2N4124 transistor to provide "phantom power" to the microphone. A typical electret condenser microphone with an impedance range of $100\ \Omega$ to $1\text{ k}\Omega$ works well with the circuit. This power booster circuit may be omitted for dynamic microphone elements.

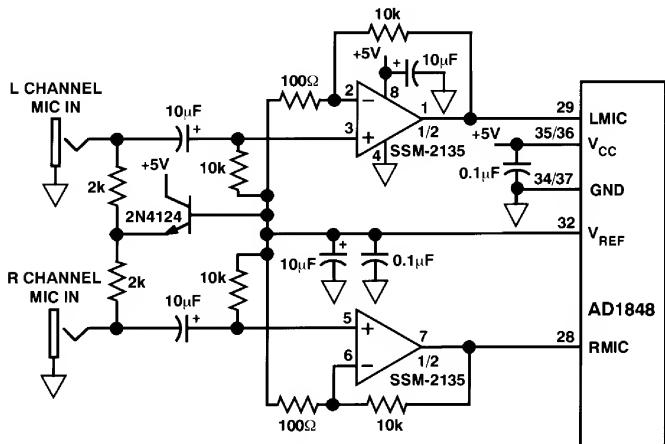


Figure 31. Low Noise Microphone Preamp for Multimedia Sound Codec

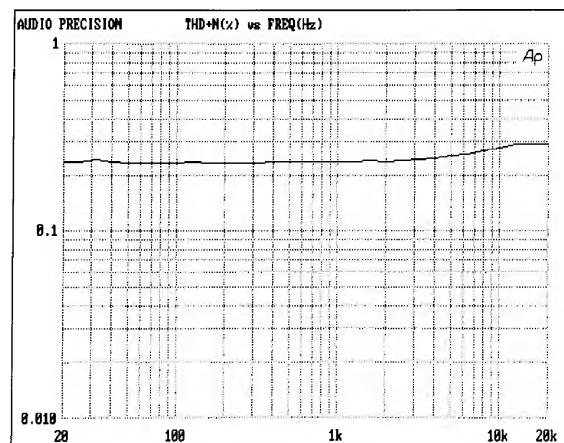


Figure 32. MIC Preamp THD+N Performance ($V_S = +5\text{ V}$, $A_V = 40\text{ dB}$, $V_{\text{OUT}} = 1\text{ V}$ rms, with 80 kHz Low-Pass Filter)

An 18-Bit Stereo CD-DAC Output Amplifier

The SSM-2135 makes an ideal single supply stereo output amplifier for audio D/A converters because of its low noise and distortion. Figure 33 shows the implementation of an 18-Bit stereo DAC channel. The output amplifier also provides low-pass filtering for smoothing the oversampled audio signal. The filter's cutoff frequency is set at 22.5 kHz and it has a maximally flat response from dc to 20 kHz.

As mentioned above, the amplifier's outputs can drive directly into a stereo headphone that has impedance as low as $25\ \Omega$ with no additional buffering required.

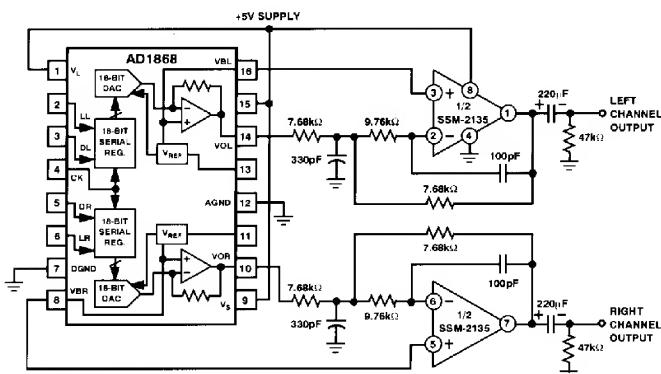


Figure 33. +5 V Stereo 18-Bit DAC

A Single Supply Differential Line Driver

Signal distribution and routing is often required in audio systems, particularly portable digital audio equipment for professional applications. Figure 34 shows a single supply line driver circuit that has differential output. The bottom amplifier provides a 2 V dc bias for the differential amplifier in order to maximize the output swing range. The amplifier can output a maximum of 0.8 V rms signal with a +5 V supply. It is capable of driving into 600 Ω line termination at a reduced output amplitude.

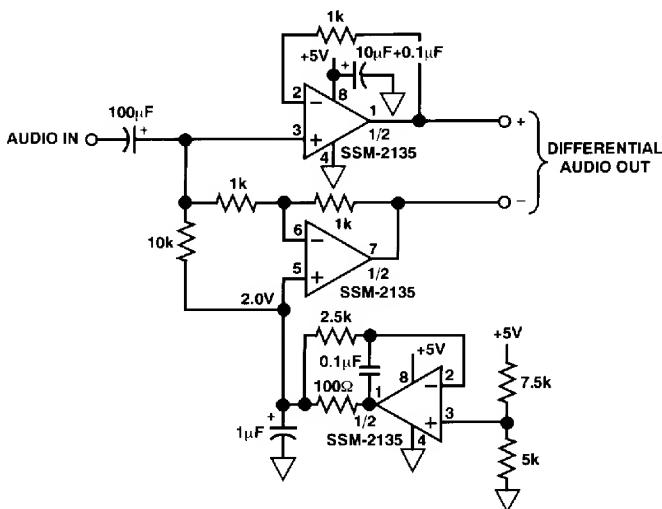


Figure 34. Single Supply Differential Line Driver

A Single Supply Differential Line Receiver

Receiving a differential signal with minimum distortion is achieved using the circuit in Figure 35. Unlike a difference amplifier (a subtractor), the circuit has a true balanced input impedance regardless of input drive levels. That is, each input always presents a $20\text{ k}\Omega$ impedance to the source. For best common-mode rejection performance, all resistors around the differential amplifier must be very well matched. Best results can be achieved using a $10\text{ k}\Omega$ precision resistor network.

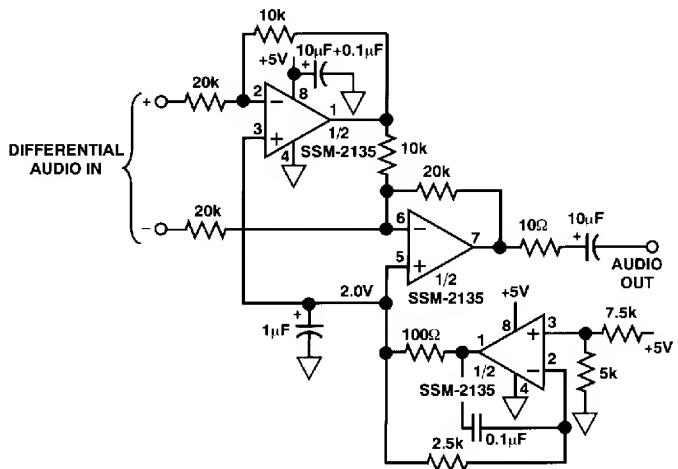


Figure 35. Single Supply Balanced Differential Line Receiver

A Pseudo-Reference Voltage Generator

For single supply circuits, a reference voltage source is often required for biasing purposes or signal offsetting purposes. The circuit in Figure 36 provides a supply splitter function with low output impedance. The $1 \mu\text{F}$ output capacitor serves as a charge reservoir to handle a sudden surge in demand by the load as well as providing a low ac impedance to it. The $0.1 \mu\text{F}$ feedback capacitor compensates the amplifier in the presence of a heavy capacitive load, maintaining stability.

The output can source or sink up to 12 mA of current with +5 V supply, limited only by the $100\ \Omega$ output resistor. Reducing the resistance will increase the output current capability. Alternatively, increasing the supply voltage to 12 V also improves the output drive to more than 25 mA.

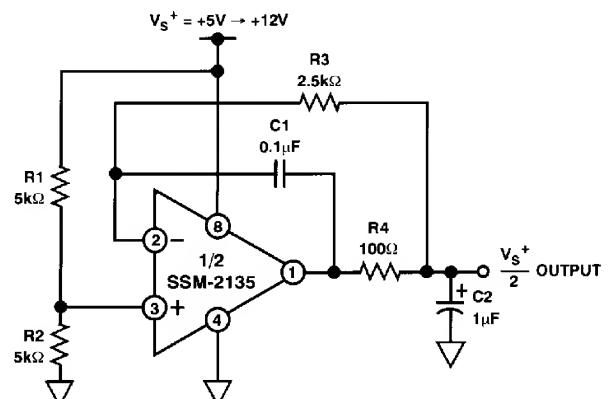


Figure 36. Pseudo-Reference Generator

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A Digital Volume Control Circuit

Working in conjunction with the AD7528/PM7528 dual 8-bit D/A converter, the SSM-2135 makes for an efficient audio attenuator, as shown in Figure 37. The circuit works off a single +5 V supply. The DAC's are biased to a 2 V reference level which is sufficient to keep the DAC's internal R-2R ladder switches operating properly. This voltage is also the optimal midpoint of the SSM-2135's common-mode and output swing range. With the circuit as shown, the maximum input and output swing is 1.25 V rms. Total harmonic distortion measures a respectable 0.01% at 1 kHz and 0.1% at 20 kHz. The frequency response at any attenuation level is flat to 20 kHz.

Each DAC can be controlled independently via the 8-bit parallel data bus. The attenuation level is linearly controlled by the binary weighting of the digital data input. Total attenuation ranges from 0 dB to -48 dB.

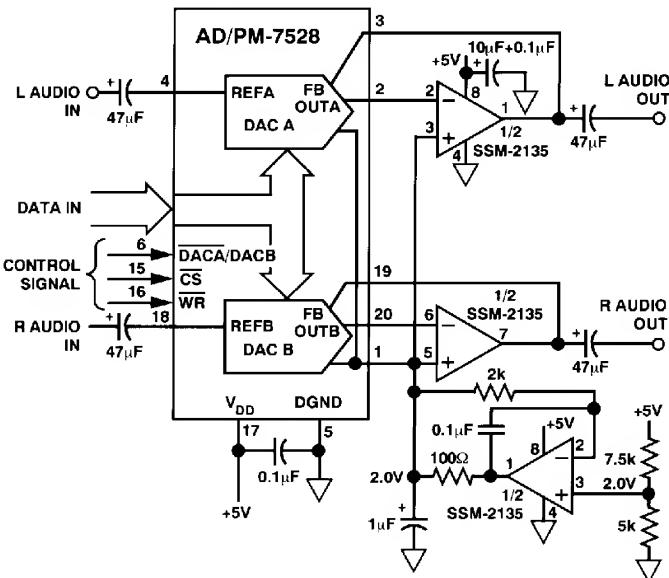


Figure 37. Digital Volume Control

A Logarithmic Volume Control Circuit

Figure 38 shows a logarithmic version of the volume control function. Similar biasing is used. With an 8-bit bus, the AD7111 provides an 88.5 dB attenuation range. Each bit resolves a 0.375 dB attenuation. Refer to AD7111 data sheet for attenuation levels for each input code.

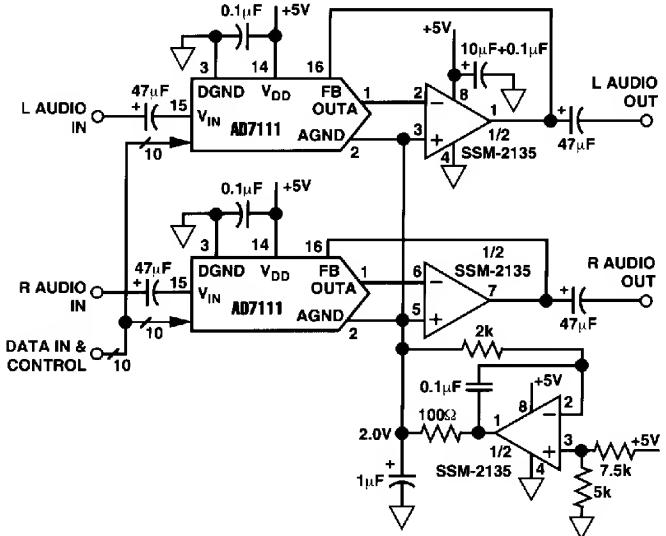
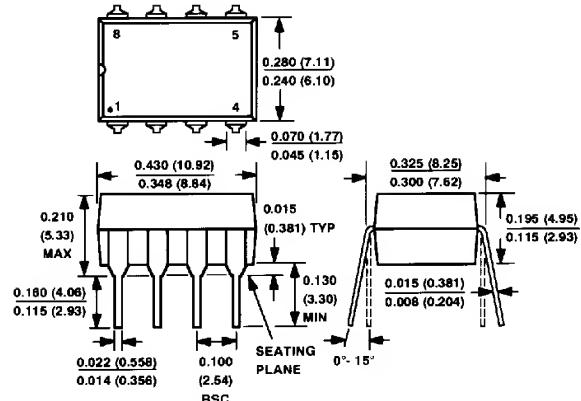


Figure 38. Single Supply Logarithmic Volume Control

OUTLINE DIMENSIONS

8-Lead Plastic DIP (N-8)



8-Lead Narrow-Body (SO-8)

